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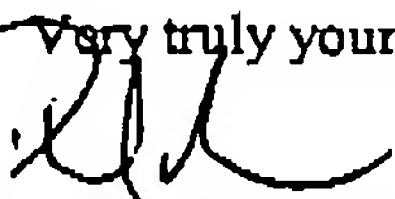
Re: Filing of Statement of Substance of Interview and Supplemental Response
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/059,421
Our Ref: YOR.431

Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find a Statement of Substance of Interview and Supplemental Response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2006 which should place the Application in condition for immediate allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,



Phillip E. Miller

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Enclosure

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Serial No. 10/059,421
Docket No. YOR920010126US2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Shibuya, et al.

Serial No.: 10/059,421 Group Art Unit: 2168
Filed: January 31, 2002 Examiner: Ly, Cheyne D.

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING GENES

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW AND
SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE**

Sir:

Comes now Applicant and for his Statement of Substance of Interview and Supplemental Response, states as follows:

REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the comments of Examiner C. Dune Ly, and Supervisory Examiner Tim Vo which were provided to Attorney Phillip Miller, Inventor Isidore Rigoutsos, at the Personal Interview that was conducted in the above-identified Application on June 14, 2006. At the interview, Applicant explained the Rigoutsos '99 reference on which the Examiner relies, and presented the arguments detailing how Rigoutsos '99 does not teach or suggest the claimed invention (e.g., claim 1).

Further, in supplement to the Amendment filed herein on April 4, 2006, Applicant states the following: